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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CONVERSATION WITH

UN SPECIAL REP

SUMMARY: UN SPECIAL REP WECKMAXZ TOLD AMBASSADOR AUG. 1
HE AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS FROM NEW YORK ON NEXT STEPS, THERE
NO REASON UK SHOULD NOT CONVENE REPRESENTATIVES OF GUARAN-
TOR POSERS AND PROCEED TO FIX CEASEFIRE LINES, THAT THIS
OPERATION COULD AND SHOULD GO AHEAD WHILE UNFICYP ROLE IN
OTHER ASPECTS OF THE AGREEMENT ARE BEING SORTED OUT, THAT
EASTERN EDGE TURKISH ZONE STABLE AND WESTERN EDGE TODAY SEEMED
STABILIZING, AND THAT UNFICYP IS PROCEEDING QUIETLY WITH
AIRPORT REPAIRS SINCE IT MOST LIKELY AIRPORT WOULD BE
IN A BUFFER ZONE AND COULD BE OPERATED UNDER UNFICYP AEGIS

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WITH BOTH GREEK AND TURK CYPRIOT PARTICIPATION IN OPERA-

TIONS. END SUMMARY

1. I CALLED ON AMB. WECKMANN AUG. 1 AND FOUND HIM WAITING FOR THE SCENARIO IN NEW YORK TO BE PLAYED OUT SO THAT INSTRUCTIONS ESSENTIAL TO HIS SUPPORT OF THE GENEVA AGREEMENT CAN BE RECEIVED.

2. WECKMANN SAW NO REASON WHY FIXING THE LIMITS OF TURKISH ZONE OF OCCUPATION COULD NOT BE DONE IMMEDIATELY. GUARANTOR POWERS HAD AGREED AMONG THEMSELVES ON THIS PROCEDURE AND UNFICYP WOULD AT BEST BE IN OBSERVER STATUS. HE WAS SURPRISED AT MY SUGGESTION OTHERS MIGHT HAVE EXPECTED UNFICYP TO TAKE INITIATIVE IN CONVENING THE GROUP. HE THOUGHT THIS CLEARLY A BRITISH RESPONSIBILITY AS THE GUARANTOR NOT INVOLVED IN MILITARY CONFRONTATION. HE THOUGHT UK SHOULD TAKE LEADERSHIP AND MOVE IMMEDIATELY ON THIS ASPECT OF THE AGREEMENT WHICH UNLIKE OTHERS, WAS NOT DEPENDENT ON SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION OR SYG ACTION.

3. WITH RESPECT TO CURRENT SITUATION ON THE GROUND, HE THOUGHT EASTERN LIMIT OF THE TURKISH ZONE WAS NOW STABLE, BUT WESTERN EDGE WAS STILL BEING FORMED. THERE WAS SOME EVIDENCE THAT TURKS HAD PULLED BACK TO A LINE FROM JLRACA TIS LAPITHOS SOUTH TO AYIOS ERMOLAOS TO THE NORTH OF ROAD RUNNING TO YEROLAKKOS AND CUTTING ROAD NEAR NICOSIA. IN NICOSIA, TURKS HAD MOVED TO OUTER EDGE OF THE GREEN LINE SO THAT ANY BUFFER ZONE WOULD BE MEASURED FROM THERE. (HE BELIEVED REPORT CIHUANS HELD MAIN FLOOR AND BAR NICOA CLUB, WHILE TURKS HELD TENNIS COURTS AND ROOF.)

4. AS TO TURKISH COMMANDERS DEMAND UNFICYP WITHDRAW FROM ALL ACTIVITIES IN TURKISH ZONE, HE SAID HIS

TACTIC WAS TO PLAY FOR TIME AND SPIN OUT NEGOTIATIONS.

5. WECKMANN HAD NO MORE INFORMATION THAN WE ON WHAT MINISTERS AT GENEVA HAD AGREED ON STATUS OF CXROSIA AIRPORT. HE SAID THAT SINCE TURKS ON ONE SIDE AND GREEKS ON THE OTHER IT SEEMED CLEAR AIRPORT WOULD BE

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IN A BUFFER ZONE. ACCORDINGLY, VRJ VERY QUIETLY PROCEEDING WITH REPAIRS AND HOPED IT COULD BE OPERATED UNDER QAEGIS WITH BOTH TURK AND GREEK CYPRIOT PARTICIPATION.

6. I REITERATED MY PERSONAL ADMIRATION FOR THE JOB DONE BY ALL ELEMENTS OF UNFICYP AND THOUGHT IT HAD CONTRIBUTED

GREATLY TO ENSURING THAT SITUATION HERE WAS NOT WORSE THAN
IT IS. HE NOTED THAT THEY WERE, AFTER ALL, LIMITED BY IN-
STRUCTIONS FROM NEW YORK. HE PRAISED FIO PREM CHAND AS
A GREAT SOLDIER WHO HE
THOUGHT HAS PROVIDED
CONSPICUOUS LEADERSHIP DURING PAST WEEKS.
DAVIES

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